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- Between the fall of 1951 and about May 1952, 30 to 40 four-engine, midwing monoplanes were observed on the northern edge of Borispol airfield (N 50-22, E 30-55), Kiev Oblast. The planes had trapezoidal wings fitted at the front third of the fuselage, rounded wing tips, tail wheels, single rudder assemblies, and probably in-line engines, which projected beyond the trailing edges of the wings. Twelve to fifteen conventional fighters were parked on the eastern and southern edges. No jet planes were observed at the field. However, jet aircraft were repeatedly observed flying over Kiev-Darnitsa. Some of these planes had one jet engine and swept-back wings, while others had twin jets, did not have swept-back wings, and had engines which definitely projected beyond the leading and trailing edges of the wings. The assumption that the jet planes belonged to Borispol airfield could not be confirmed at the field. Several single-jet craft were observed aloft every day, while one to three twin-jet craft were occasionally observed in the air.2
- 2. A NW-SE concrete runway, several hundred meters long, was observed at the field. Its southeastern end terminated in a concrete apron, in the eastern section of which there appeared to be underground fueling stations for aircraft. Sometimes the aircraft did not take off from the runway, but on a perpendicular angle, or at an acute angle, to the runway. In the southeastern corner of the field there were several garages and barracks buildings, and south of them three four-story billeting buildings, each about 60 meters long, which were completed in the spring of 1952.3

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Comment. The description of the four-engine plane corresponds to the Pe-8 type. The statement that the engines projected beyond the trailing edges of the wings is probably an error caused by a poor perspective.

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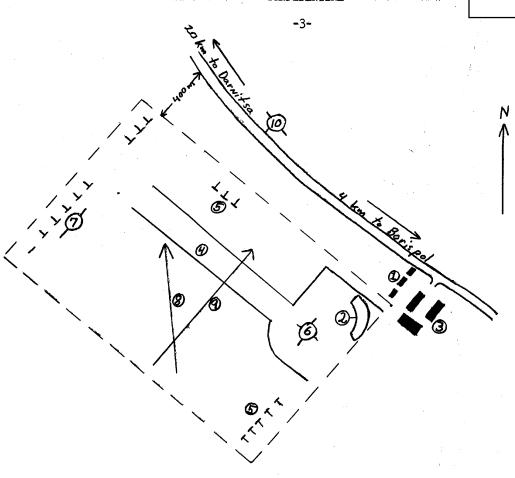
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25X1 2. Comment. According to a previous report, the single-jet aircraft are MIG-15s, and the twin-jet craft are Type-8 or Type-9.

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3 comment. The descriptions of the runway and of the new fourstory billeting buildings were known from previous reports; their locations are noted on the sketch on page 3. The concrete apron at the southeastern end of the runway and the underground fueling stations are here reported for the first time.

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Sketch of Borispol Airfield

Legend:

- 1. Three small garages, with filling station for trucks.
- 2. Underground fueling station for aircraft.
- 3. Three four-story billeting buildings, of which the two southern buildings are completed.
- 4. Concrete runway.
- 5. Parked conventional fighters.6. Concrete apron, about 300 meters square.

- 7. 30 40 four-engine planes, parked in two rows.
 8. Take-off lane, used only occasionally.
 9. Take-off lane observed being used by a four-engine plane.
- 10. New asphalt road, 8 10 meters wide.

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